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Applicants thank the Examiner for indicating that the claims are allowable. Applicants submit that the claims speak for themselves, and therefore that the Statement of Reasons for Allowance should not be used to interpret or in any way limit the claims. Moreover, to the extent that the Statement of Reasons for Allowance paraphrase the claims, applicant understands the claims to be broadly interpreted in light of the prior art. For example, independent claim 1 requires that the preference include one or more rules selected from a group and not that the preference include each rule in the group. Applicants request clarification if the Examiner understands differently.

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